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FOLLOWING REPEAT ADDIS 2691 ACTION SECSTATE INFO KHARTOUM JUN 16

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L ADDIS ABABA 2691

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PORG, OAU
SUBJECT: PROVISIONAL DRAFT AGENDA FOR OAU MEETINGS IN KHARTOUM

REF: STATE 150677

1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN COPIES OF "PROVI-
SIONAL DRAFT" AGENDAS FOR OAU COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
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(COM) MEETING AND ASSEMBLY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOV-
ERNMENT (AHG) TO BE HELD IN KHARTOUM. OAU SECRETARIAT
CONFIRMED COM WILL BE JULY 7-15 AND THAT AHG, REFERRED
TO AS THE SUMMIT, WILL BE JULY 18-21. TWO-DAY BREAK
WILL BE TO PREPARE COM DOCUMENTS FOR APPROVAL BY AHG.
OAU WILL BE ISSUING FINAL AGENDAS AS PRESS RELEASE ON
JUNE 20 OR 21 AND THEY SHOULD BE AVAILABLE THROUGH OAU

OBSERVER OFFICE AT UNITED NATIONS (NY). HOWEVER, EM-BASSY ADDIS WILL TRANSMIT FULL AGENDAS TO OAU ADDRESSEES POSTS WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.

2. MORE INTERESTING ITEMS WHICH HAVE BEEN INCLUDED IN PROVISIONAL DRAFT FOR COM ARE: REPORTS ON -
(A) 31ST SESSION OF OAU AFRICA LIBERATION COMMITTEE; TO BE HELD JUNE 19 IN DAR ES SALAAM;
(B) COMORO ISLANDS;
(C) SITUATION IN MIDDLE EAST AND DEVELOPMENT ON PALESTINE QUESTION;
(D) APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTHERN AFRICA;
(E) OAU MISSION TO SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE;
(F) COMMITTEE OF TEN ON ASSISTANCE TO FRONT LINE STATES;
(G) COMMITTEE OF SEVEN ON OIL EMBARGO;
(H) ETHIOPIA/SOMALIA GOOD OFFICES COMMITTEE;
(I) ETHIOPIA/SUDAN MEDIATION COMMISSION;
(J) CHAD/LIBYA MEDIATION COMMISSION
(K) AFRO-ARAB COOPERATION;
(L) LIBYAN PROPOSALS ON MIDDLE EAST;
(M) DRAFT AGENDA FOR AHG.

3. ITEMS OF INTEREST LISTED FOR AHG INCLUDE:
(A) HEADS OF STATE SPEECHES;
(B) ADOPTION OF COM RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS;
(C) ELECTION OF OAU ADMIN SEC GEN AND ASST SEC GEN (5) TO
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FOUR-YEAR TERMS.

4. BOTH AGENDAS HAVE LISTED "MISCELLANEOUS" AND "OTHER BUSINESS" WHICH COULD INCLUDE SOME OF CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES NOT SPECIFIED ELSEWHERE. SUCH ISSUES WHICH ARE EXPECTED TO BE DISCUSSED ARE: PAN AFRICAN PEACE-KEEPING FORCE (WHICH WAS RAISED IN CORRIDORS LAST YEAR), SHABA INVASION AND FOREIGN PRESENCE IN AFRICA AND POSSIBLY CANARY ISLANDS QUESTION UNDER DECOLONIZATION REPORT OR LIBERATION COMMITTEE REPORT. SOUTHERN AFRICA ISSUES COULD EVEN PROVE CONTENTIOUS, WITH NAMIBIA AND ZIMBABWE NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUING AND THE OAU NOT TOTALLY UNANIMOUS ABOUT PATRIOTIC FRONT. THERE IS EVERY EXPECTATION THAT OAU KHARTOUM MEETINGS WILL BE QUITE HEATED AND POSSIBLY ACRIMONIOUS.
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